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Total N= 1,009

Registered N= 878

Republican Primary Voters N= 301

Democratic Primary Voters N = 232

Registered Republicans N= 268

Registered Democrats N= 296

All trends are from New York Times/CBS News polls unless otherwise noted. Asterisk indicates registered respondents only. "RPV" indicates Republican Primary Voters.*

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	62	15	23
2/18-22/09	63	22	15
3/12-16/09 CBS	62	24	14
3/20-22/09 CBS	64	20	16
4/1-5/09	66	24	10
4/22-26/09	68	23	9
5/6-12/09 CBS	63	26	11
6/12-16/09	63	26	11
7/9-12/09 CBS	57	32	11
7/24-28/09	58	30	13
8/27-31/09 CBS	56	35	9
9/19-23/09	56	33	11
10/5-8/09 CBS	56	34	10
11/13-16/09 CBS	53	36	11
12/4-8/09	50	39	11
1/6-10/10 CBS	46	41	13
1/14-17/10 CBS	50	40	10
2/5-10/10	46	45	9
3/18-21/10 CBS	49	41	10
3/29-4/1/10 CBS	44	41	15
4/5-12/10	50	40	10
4/28-5/2/10	51	39	10
5/20-24/10 CBS	47	43	10
6/16-20/10	47	43	10
7/9-12/10 CBS	44	44	12
8/20-24/10 CBS	48	44	8
9/10-14/10	45	47	8
10/1-5/10 CBS	44	45	11
10/21-26/10	45	47	8
11/7-10/10 CBS	45	45	10
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	48	42	10
1/15-19/11	49	39	12
2/11-14/11 CBS	48	41	11
3/18-21/11 CBS	49	41	10
4/15-20/11	46	45	8
5/2-3/11	57	37	6
6/3-7/11 CBS	48	43	9
6/24-28/11	47	44	9
8/2-3/11	48	47	5
9/10-15/11	43	50	7
9/28-10/2/11 CBS	44	44	12
10/19-24/11	46	46	8
11/6-10/11 CBS	43	47	10
12/5-7/11 CBS	44	46	10
12/14-18/11 CBS	47	44	9
1/4-8/12 CBS	45	47	8
1/12-17/12	47	45	8
2/8-13/12	50	43	7
3/7-11/12	41	47	12

2. Do you feel things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right	Wrong	DK/NA		Right	Wrong	DK/NA
1/27-28/91 CBS	51	39	10	6/10-11/06 CBS	27	69	4
3/4-6/91	51	42	7	7/21-25/06	28	66	6
10/15-18/91	33	60	7	8/17-21/06	29	67	4
11/27-28/94 CBS	30	65	5	10/27-31/06	29	64	7
12/3-6/95 NYT	25	64	10	12/8-10/06 CBS	24	70	6
12/8-11/96 NYT	39	51	11	1/1-3/07 CBS	27	68	5
9/16-18/96 CBS	41	48	11	1/18-21/07 CBS	26	69	5
2/19-21/98	54	36	9	2/8-11/07 CBS	26	68	6
9/8-10/98	49	42	10	2/23-27/07	23	68	9
10/12-13/98	46	47	7	3/7-11/07	25	69	6
10/26-28/98	52	42	7	5/18-23/07	24	72	4
5/10-13/00	48	44	7	6/26-28/07 CBS	19	75	6
3/8-12/01	40	54	6	7/9-17/07	22	72	6
4/23-25/01 CBS	37	58	5	9/4-8/07	24	71	4
6/14-18/01	42	53	5	12/5-9/07	21	71	8
10/25-28/01	61	29	10	1/9-12/08	19	75	6
12/7-10/01	64	27	10	3/28-4/2/08	14	81	5
1/24-27/02	52	35	12	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	14	83	3
7/13-16/02	42	48	10	7/7-14/08	14	81	5
7/22-23/02 CBS	39	53	8	9/12-16/08	14	81	5
8/6-7/02 CBS	41	51	8	10/10-13/08	7	89	4
9/2-5/02	43	49	8	10/19-22/08	11	85	4
10/3-6/02	42	48	10	10/25-29/08	11	85	4
10/27-31/02	41	52	8	12/4-8/08 CBS	12	83	5
11/20-24/02	41	49	10	1/11-15/09	15	79	6
2/10-12/03	35	56	9	2/2-4/09 CBS	23	68	9
3/22/03	50	40	10	3/12-16/09 CBS	35	57	8
4/11-13/03	56	36	9	4/1-5/09	39	53	7
9/28-10/1/03	37	56	7	4/22-26/09	41	50	9
7/13-27/03	46	49	5	5/6-12/09 CBS	45	48	7
11/10-12/03 CBS	39	53	8	6/12-16/09	44	50	6
12/10-13/03	39	56	5	7/9-12/09 CBS	35	57	8
12/14-15/03	49	43	8	7/24-28/09	42	49	9
1/12-15/04	42	53	5	9/19-23/09	41	53	6
2/12-15/04 CBS	41	51	8	12/4-8/09	37	56	7
3/10-14/04	38	54	8	1/14-17/10 CBS	36	55	9
3/30-4/1/04 CBS	36	57	7	2/5-10/10	33	62	5
4/23-27/04	36	55	9	4/5-12/10	34	59	7
5/20-23/04 CBS	30	65	5	5/4-5/10 CBS	33	58	9
6/23-27/04	36	57	6	5/20-24/10 CBS	32	61	7
7/11-15/04	36	56	8	6/16-20/10	32	60	8
8/15-18/04 CBS	39	55	6	9/10-14/10	33	60	6
9/12-16/04	41	51	7	10/1-5/10 CBS	32	63	5
9/20-22/04 CBS	41	54	5	10/21-26/10	34	61	5
10/1-3/04	40	51	9	11/7-10/10 CBS	29	62	9
10/14-17/04	37	59	4	1/15-19/11	32	64	4
10/28-30/04	43	55	2	2/11-14/11 CBS	36	58	6
11/18-21/04	40	54	6	3/18-21/11 CBS	30	64	6
1/14-18/05	39	56	5	4/15-20/11	26	70	5
2/24-28/05	42	52	6	6/3-7/11 CBS	31	60	9
3/9-14/05 NYT	37	56	7	6/24-28/11	28	63	9
4/13-16/05 CBS	32	62	6	7/22-24/11 CBS	22	70	8
5/20-24/05 CBS	34	60	6	9/10-15/11	23	72	5
6/10-15/05	33	61	6	9/28-10/2/11 CBS	19	73	8
7/29-8/2/05 CBS	37	57	6	10/19-24/11	21	74	5
9/9-13/05	31	63	6	12/5-7/11 CBS	21	75	4
10/3-5/05 CBS	37	58	5	12/14-18/11 CBS	25	69	6
10/30-11/1/05 CBS	27	68	5	1/4-8/12 CBS	29	65	6
12/2-6/05	31	60	9	1/12-17/12	29	66	4
1/5-8/06 CBS	31	62	7	2/8-13/12	35	59	6
1/20-25/06	32	61	7	2/24-27/12 CBS	24	67	8
3/9-12/06 CBS	28	66	9	3/7-11/12	29	63	7
4/28-30/06 CBS	24	71	5				
5/4-8/06	23	70	7				

3. What do you think is the most important problem facing this country today?

	12/09 12	2/10 13	4/10 8	6/10 5	9/10 3	1/11 6	4/11 6	6/11 4	9/11 3	10/11 2	3/12 3
Health care											
Oil spill in gulf					13						
Budget deficit	2	4	5	5	3	6	15	7	8	5	5
Education	1	-	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	2	2
Medicare/Medicaid	-	-	-	-		1	-	-	-	-	-
Taxes	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-
Economy	23	25	23	20	32	23	18	27	27	24	26
Immigration	1	1	1	3	2	3	2	1	1	2	1
Defense	1	2	1	1	2	1	-	1	1	-	1
Poverty	3	-	4	1	-	1	1	1	2	1	2
Crime	-	-	-	1	-	2		-		1	
Foreign Policy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Jobs	24	27	27	20	28	28	21	26	32	33	25
Abortion	-		1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Moral Values	3	1	2	1	1	1	3	1	2	-	2
Welfare	-	-	-				-	-		1	-
President	-	1	-	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	2
War	4	3	1	2	2	2	4	3	2	1	1
Iraq	2	-	2	-	-	-		-		-	-
Afghanistan	2	-	1	1	1	-		1		-	-
Politicians/ Government			4	7	4	3	1	4	2	3	6
Environment	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Religious values	1	1	1	1	1		1				1
Terrorism general	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Other	16	16	11	11	11	12	13	11	14	17	17
DK/NA	5	4	5	3	4	5	5	4	1	4	4

4. Regardless of how you intend to vote, do you think the presidential candidates have been paying enough attention to the problem you just mentioned, or haven't they?

	Yes 24	No 62	Some are/Some not (vol.) 8	DK/NA 7
3/7-11/12				

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	50	15	35
2/18-22/09	57	17	26
4/1-5/09	59	19	22
4/22-26/09	59	23	18
6/12-16/09	59	23	19
7/9-12/09 CBS	53	30	17
7/24-28/09	54	24	23
10/5-8/09 CBS	48	28	24
11/13-16/09 CBS	50	36	14
1/14-17/10 CBS	49	38	13
2/5-10/10	47	34	19
4/28-5/2/10	48	38	14
7/9-12/10 CBS	44	41	15
11/7-10/10 CBS	46	37	17
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	40	45	15
1/15-19/11	46	32	22
2/11-14/11 CBS	46	33	21
3/18-21/11 CBS	47	36	17
4/15-20/11	39	46	15
5/2-3/11	52	34	15
6/3-7/11 CBS	47	37	16
10/19-24/11	50	31	19
11/6-10/11 CBS	45	41	14
12/5-7/11 CBS	41	41	18
12/14-18/11 CBS	51	32	17
1/4-8/12 CBS	46	37	17
1/12-17/12	48	35	16
2/8-13/12	50	36	14
3/7-11/12	40	41	19

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	55	24	21
2/18-22/09	57	32	11
3/12-16/09 CBS	56	33	11
3/20-22/09 CBS	61	29	10
4/1-5/09	56	34	10
4/22-26/09	61	29	10
5/6-12/09 CBS	56	33	11
6/12-16/09	57	35	7
7/9-12/09 CBS	48	44	8
7/24-28/09	51	41	9
8/27-31/09 CBS	53	41	6
9/19-23/09	50	40	10
10/5-8/09 CBS	54	38	8
11/13-16/09 CBS	49	43	8
12/4-8/09	47	43	10
1/6-10/10 CBS	41	47	12
1/14-17/10 CBS	46	48	6
2/5-10/10	42	52	5
3/18-21/10 CBS	45	45	10
3/29-4/1/10 CBS	42	50	8
4/5-12/10	43	46	11
4/28-5/2/10	48	47	6
5/20-24/10 CBS	43	48	9
6/16-20/10	45	48	7
7/9-12/10 CBS	40	54	6
8/20-24/10 CBS	44	48	8
9/10-14/10	41	51	8
10/1-5/10 CBS	38	50	12
10/21-26/10	42	50	8
11/7-10/10 CBS	40	53	7
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	43	50	7
1/15-19/11	41	52	7
2/11-14/11 CBS	42	50	8
3/18-21/11 CBS	39	53	8
4/15-20/11	38	57	5
5/2-3/11	34	55	11
6/3-7/11 CBS	37	56	7
6/24-28/11	39	52	9
9/10-15/11	34	57	9
9/28-10/2/11 CBS	35	53	12
10/19-24/11	38	56	5
12/5-7/11 CBS	33	60	7
12/14-18/11 CBS	40	53	7
1/4-8/12 CBS	38	55	7
1/12-17/12	40	54	6
2/8-13/12	44	50	6
3/7-11/12	39	54	7

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation with Iran?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
10/5-8/09 CBS ¹	43	35	22
3/7-11/12	42	39	20

¹ Question read "...Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling Iran?"

10. How would you rate the condition of the national economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA		Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA
1/92A	-	17	47	35	1	6/23-27/04	4	54	30	11	1
1/92B	1	20	46	32	1	8/15-18/04 CBS	5	47	32	15	1
2/92A	1	16	38	42	2	9/12-16/04	3	51	31	12	2
2/92B	1	16	40	41	1	10/1-3/04	6	49	29	16	1
3/92	1	18	39	40	1	10/14-17/04	3	49	32	13	2
4/92	1	23	40	34	1	11/18-21/04	4	50	30	14	1
7/92	-	21	41	37	1	2/24-28/05	4	53	29	13	1
8/92A	1	20	40	38	1	6/10-15/05	4	50	32	13	1
9/92A	1	19	37	39	3	7/29-8/2/05 CBS	7	50	31	11	1
10/92A	1	18	42	37	2	9/9-13/05	4	45	33	17	1
10/92C	2	21	40	37	1	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	3	44	35	16	2
10/92D	2	21	40	36	2	12/2-6/05	6	49	29	14	1
10/92E	1	22	39	36	2	1/5-8/06 CBS	6	48	32	13	1
12/92	1	31	39	28	2	1/20-25/06	6	51	29	13	1
1/93	1	34	41	22	2	2/22-26/06 CBS	5	45	33	15	2
2/93	2	33	36	26	3	3/9-12/06 CBS	4	51	29	14	2
3/93	1	33	41	22	2	4/6-9/06 CBS	7	45	30	17	1
6/93A	1	29	43	25	2	4/28-30/06 CBS	8	49	27	14	2
6/93B	1	33	40	23	2	5/4-8/06	6	47	31	15	1
8/93	3	28	45	23	1	7/21-25/06	5	46	34	13	1
9/93	1	31	44	23	1	8/17-21/06	5	47	32	15	1
11/93	2	40	38	18	2	9/15-19/06	5	51	30	13	1
12/93	1	43	39	15	2	10/5-8/06	7	53	28	11	1
12/93	1	43	39	15	2	10/27-31/06	9	50	26	13	3
1/94	2	45	38	14	1	12/8-10/06 CBS	8	50	26	13	3
1/94	1	49	34	14	1	1/1-3/07 CBS	8	50	26	14	2
2/94	2	50	34	12	2	1/18-21/07 CBS	7	51	31	10	1
4/94	3	51	33	11	2	2/8-11/07 CBS	8	52	27	12	1
6/94	3	51	32	11	3	2/23-27/07	7	55	25	10	3
7/94	3	50	35	11	1	3/7-11/07	8	47	33	11	1
9/94	2	51	33	13	2	4/9-12/07 CBS	8	51	28	11	2
9/94	3	50	34	11	2	5/18-23/07	7	48	29	14	1
11/94	2	53	33	10	1	7/9-17/07	9	46	30	13	2
1/95	3	57	28	11	1	8/8-12/07 CBS	7	45	32	14	2
2/95	5	53	29	12	2	9/4-8/07	4	51	30	15	1
3/95	3	52	29	13	3	10/12-16/07 CBS	5	45	33	16	1
7/95	3	58	26	11	2	12/5-9/07	3	39	39	18	1
10/95	3	54	32	10	1	1/9-12/08	3	35	42	19	2
12/95	4	54	27	13	2	1/30-2/2/08 CBS	2	26	44	27	1
1/96	2	49	33	14	2	2/20-24/08	2	27	45	25	1
2/96	3	50	30	15	3	3/15-18/08 CBS	1	24	42	34	
6/96	2	53	32	11	2	3/28-4/2/08	1	20	48	30	1
6/96B	4	56	30	9	1	4/25-29/08	-	22	41	36	1
7/96	5	56	27	10		5/1-3/08	1	15	40	43	1
8/96	5	58	23	10	3	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	1	19	45	33	2
9/96	5	64	23	7	1	7/7-14/08	1	18	45	35	1
10/96	6	66	19	6	2	7/31-8/5/08 CBS	1	16	40	43	
10/96C	6	61	21	10	3	8/15-19/08	1	17	41	41	-
11/96	6	64	21	6	2	9/12-16/08	2	20	39	39	-
12/96	6	61	22	8	3	9/21-24/08	-	17	34	46	2
1/97	7	64	23	5	1	9/27-30/08 CBS	-	10	37	52	1
4/97	6	62	24	7	1	10/3-5/08 CBS	1	10	34	55	-
7/97	11	62	18	8	1	10/10-13/08	-	11	38	50	-
11/97	14	63	16	5	2	10/19-22/08	-	13	35	51	-
12/97	17	63	15	4	2	10/25-29/08	1	10	41	48	1
1/98	16	67	13	3	1	12/4-8/08 CBS	1	8	37	54	
2/98	21	67	9	3	1	1/11-15/09	1	6	30	62	-
8/11-13/98	21	66	8	3	2	2/2-4/08 CBS	-	5	31	63	1
8/19-20/98	25	61	9	3	2	2/18-22/09	-	8	30	61	1
10/98A	16	65	15	3	2	3/12-16/09 CBS	12	36	52		
10/98B	16	68	11	3	2	4/1-5/09	1	10	38	51	1
2/00	28	60	8	3	1	4/22-26/09	1	15	40	44	1
5/00	29	58	7	4	2	5/6-12/09 CBS	1	17	45	36	1
9/00D*	26	64	7	2	1	6/12-16/09	1	14	48	36	1
10/00	25	60	9	4	3	7/9-12/09 CBS	1	13	42	44	
11/00	26	63	7	3	2	7/24-28/09	1	17	47	35	1
12/00 CBS	21	65	10	3	1	8/27-31/09 CBS	2	18	43	36	1
1/01 CBS	14	70	11	4	1	9/19-23/09	1	21	49	28	1
3/8-12/01	6	68	19	5		10/5-8/09 CBS	1	15	49	35	
4/01B CBS	3	58	29	7	3	11/13-16/09 CBS	1	18	42	37	2
5/01 CBS	4	64	23	7	2	12/4-8/09	2	20	44	33	1
6/14-18/01	3	67	22	6	2	1/6-10/10 CBS	2	15	50	32	1
9/20-23/01	3	50	33	11	2	2/5-10/10	1	16	44	39	1
10/25-28/01	3	53	33	9	2	3/29/-4/1/10 CBS	1	15	42	42	
12/07-10/01	3	52	35	8	2	4/5-12/10	1	22	43	34	1
1/5-6/02 CBS	3	49	36	8	4	4/28-5/2/10	3	23	45	27	3
1/15-17/02CBS	2	49	36	11	2	5/20-24/10	1	19	47	32	1
1/21-24/02	2	50	36	10	1	6/16-20/10	2	20	48	29	1
2/24-26/02CBS	1	52	38	7	2	7/9-12/10 CBS	2	15	50	32	1
5/13-14/02CBS	4	62	27	7	-	8/20-24/10 CBS	2	15	42	41	
6/18-20/02/CBS	3	56	30	9	2	9/10-14/10	-	17	47	34	2
7/13-16/02	2	47	36	13	2	10/1-5/10 CBS	1	18	43	37	1
7/22-23/02CBS	3	42	39	14	2	10/21-26/10	-	21	45	33	1
8/6-7/02 CBS	2	45	38	13	2	11/7-10/10 CBS	2	18	44	35	1
9/2-5/02	3	47	36	14	1	11/29-12/2/10 CBS	1	17	46	36	
10/3-6/02	4	39	42	14	2	1/15-19/11	2	24	46	28	1
10/27-31/02	1	44	38	15	1	2/11-14/11 CBS	1	23	46	29	1
11/20-24/02	2	46	37	13	2	3/18-21/11 CBS	2	21	48	29	
1/4-6/03 CBS	1	40	43	14	2	4/15-20/11	2	17	44	36	1
1/19-22/03	1	42	43	12	1	6/3-7/11 CBS	2	18	43	36	1
5/9-12/03	2	42	41	14	1	6/24-28/11	1	17	43	38	1
9/28-10/1/03	4	39	37	19	1	8/2-3/11	-	12	46	40	1
2/10-12/03	2	37	42	18	2	9/10-15/11	1	13	39	47	1
3/20-24/03	3	47	33	15	2	9/28-10/2/11 CBS	10	47	41	2	
4/11-13/03	2	48	36	10	3	10/19-24/11	1	13	50	36	1
10/20-21/03CBS	3	42	36	18	1	11/6-10/11 CBS	1	12	41	45	1
12/10-13/03	4	52	30	13	1	12/5-7/11 CBS	1	12	44	42	1
12/14-15/03	5	50	28	13	4	1/4-8/12 CBS	1	18	46	34	2
1/12-15/04	3	51	34	11	1	1/12-17/12	1	20	47	32	-
3/10-14/04	2	47	34	15	2	2/8-13/12	1	22	46	29	1
4/23-27/04	4	51	30	15	1	3/7-11/12	1	21	45	30	2
5/20-23/04 CBS	5	47	31	16	1						

11. Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA		Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
1/92A	8	47	44	1	7/29-8/2/05 CBS	20	32	47	1
1/92B	9	45	44	1	9/9-13/05	13	47	38	2
2/92B	13	38	48	1	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	16	40	44	
3/92	20	26	53	1	12/2-6/05	19	35	45	1
4/92	18	31	50	1	1/5-8/06 CBS	20	37	43	
7/92	12	33	54	1	1/20-25/06	17	38	44	1
8/92A	10	36	53	1	3/9-12/06	13	39	47	1
9/92A	10	33	55	2	5/4-8/06	14	47	39	1
10/92A	9	38	51	1	7/21-25/06	12	47	41	1
10/92C	12	37	49	2	9/15-19/06	17	36	46	1
10/92D	17	33	48	2	10/5-8/06	19	31	49	1
10/92E	17	32	49	2	10/27-31/06	16	38	44	
12/92	29	17	51	3	2/8-11/07 CBS	15	34	49	2
1/93	26	18	55	1	2/23-27/07	11	35	51	2
2/93	32	15	51	2	4/9-12/07 CBS	11	44	44	1
3/93	21	19	58	2	5/18-23/07	11	43	44	2
6/93A	13	26	60	1	7/9-17/07	12	41	45	2
8/93 CBS	12	30	56	2	9/4-8/07	8	49	43	1
9/93	14	26	58	1	10/12-16/07 CBS	9	45	44	2
11/93	19	24	57	1	12/5-9/07	5	53	40	2
1/94	31	17	57	1	1/9-12/08	4	62	33	1
4/94	24	25	50	1	1/30-2/2/08 CBS	6	67	26	1
7/94	22	21	56	1	2/20-24/08	3	63	32	1
9/94	23	27	50	1	3/15-18/08 CBS	2	75	21	2
11/94	20	26	53	1	3/28-4/2/08	4	70	25	1
1/95 CBS	24	22	53	1	4/25-29/08	4	70	24	1
2/95	27	20	53	1	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	3	69	27	1
3/95	18	27	53	2	7/7-14/08	3	67	29	1
8/95	14	27	58	1	9/12-16/08	6	61	32	1
10/95	13	27	57	2	9/21-24/08	2	70	26	2
2/95	16	26	56	2	9/27-30/08 CBS	2	76	20	2
1/96	13	31	54	2	10/3-5/08 CBS	3	75	21	1
2/96	14	29	55	2	10/10-13/08	5	67	26	2
4/96	14	32	53	2	10/19-22/08	11	57	30	2
6/96	13	29	57	1	10/25-29/08	8	57	32	3
6/96 NYT	18	22	58	1	12/4-8/08 CBS	8	60	29	3
9/96	23	21	54	2	1/11-15/09	7	54	37	2
7/96	16	27	55	2	2/2-4/09 CBS	5	51	42	2
8/96C	17	23	57	3	2/18-22/09	8	51	40	1
10/96	26	19	53	2	3/12-16/09 CBS	19	41	37	3
11/96	24	19	55	2	4/1-5/09	20	34	43	3
12/96	19	21	57	2	4/22-26/09	26	25	48	2
1/97	24	19	56	1	5/6-12/09 CBS	32	23	44	1
4/97	16	25	57	1	6/12-16/09	27	25	46	2
11/97 CBS	23	19	55	3	7/9-12/09 CBS	21	33	45	1
12/97	29	18	51	2	7/24-28/09	32	22	45	1
1/98	32	13	55	1	8/27-31/09 CBS	36	25	38	1
10/98A	20	26	53	2	9/19-23/09	36	17	46	-
10/98B	23	21	53	2	10/5-8/09 CBS	31	18	50	1
2/00	30	15	52	2	11/13-16/09 CBS	32	25	42	1
1/01 CBS	11	39	49	1	12/4-8/09	29	23	47	1
2/01 CBS	8	46	44	2	1/6-10/10 CBS	31	19	49	1
3/8-12/01	7	41	49	2	1/14-17/10 CBS	24	28	48	
4/01 CBS	9	48	41	2	2/5-10/10	24	29	45	2
5/01 CBS	10	44	44	2	4/5-12/10	33	23	43	1
6/14-18/01	9	40	50	1	4/28-5/2/10	41	15	43	1
9/20-23/01	8	55	35	2	5/20-24/10	30	28	42	
10/25-28/01	14	37	46	2	6/16-20/10	28	24	48	-
12/07-10/01	19	34	45	2	7/9-12/10 CBS	25	26	48	1
1/5-6/02 CBS	26	27	44	3	8/20-24/10 CBS	20	34	44	2
1/21-24/02	18	33	48	1	9/10-14/10	22	30	48	1
5/13-14/02CBS	31	18	51	-	10/1-5/10 CBS	22	27	50	1
7/13-16/02	14	41	44	2	10/21-26/10	25	28	46	1
10/3-5/02	13	39	46	2	11/29-12/2/10 CBS	31	24	44	1
10/27-31/02	17	34	48	1	1/15-19/11	30	21	46	2
11/20-24/02	19	30	50	2	2/11-14/11 CBS	32	22	45	1
1/19-22/03	17	39	44	1	3/18-21/11 CBS	26	26	47	1
4/11-13/03	17	31	49	2	4/15-20/11	23	39	38	1
5/9-12/03	22	28	49	1	6/3-7/11 CBS	24	31	44	1
7/13-27/03	22	31	46	1	6/24-28/11	20	31	48	1
8/26-28/03 CBS	25	31	43	1	9/10-15/11	12	43	44	1
9/28-10/1/03	24	29	46	1	9/28-10/2/11 CBS	12	40	46	2
12/10-13/03	34	24	41	1	10/19-24/11	14	36	49	1
12/14-15/03	39	19	39	2	11/6-10/11 CBS	18	32	50	-
1/12-15/04	34	26	39	1	12/5-7/11 CBS	21	39	40	-
2/12-15/04 CBS	33	27	39	1	12/14-18/11 CBS	24	30	45	1
3/10-14/04	28	27	43	2	1/4-8/12 CBS	25	29	45	1
5/20-23/04 CBS	23	32	43	2	1/12-17/12	28	23	49	-
6/23-27/04	28	23	47	1	2/8-13/12	34	22	43	1
9/12-16/04	26	27	45	2	3/7-11/12	30	24	44	2
10/14-17/04	24	33	42	1					
11/18-21/04	26	29	44	1					
1/14-18/05	25	29	45	1					
2/24-28/05	23	30	46	1					
6/10-15/05	18	36	45	2					

Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you registered to vote in the precinct or election district where you now live, or aren't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	77	23	-

How much attention have you been able to pay to the 2012 presidential campaign – a lot, some, not much, or no attention so far?

	A lot	Some	Not much	None	DK/NA
6/3-7/11* CBS	25	39	23	11	2
6/24-28/11*	27	39	24	9	-
9/10-15/11*	30	39	22	8	-
9/28-10/2/11* CBS	32	38	22	8	-
10/19-24/11*	31	39	21	10	-
11/6-10/11* CBS	33	39	21	7	-
12/14-18/11* CBS	32	42	17	9	-
1/4-8/12* CBS	35	37	19	9	-
1/12-17/12*	35	41	17	6	-
2/8-13/12*	35	44	14	6	1
3/7-11/12*	44	37	15	3	-

Have you already voted in or do you plan to vote in a Democratic primary or caucus this year, or in a Republican primary or caucus, or are you not voting in a primary or caucus this year?

	Democratic primary	Republican primary	Aren't likely to vote	Never vote(vol.)	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	27	34	27	4	8

15. Who would you like to see the Republican Party nominate as its presidential candidate in 2012 - Newt Gingrich, Ron Paul, Mitt Romney, or Rick Santorum? **CANDIDATE NAMES WERE ROTATED.**

	1/4- 8/12	1/12- 17/12	2/8- 13/12	3/7- 11/12
	CBS	RPV* ¹	RPV* ¹	RPV*
Newt Gingrich	18	21	10	13
Ron Paul	11	15	12	8
Mitt Romney	24	28	27	30
Rick Santorum	18	16	30	34
Someone Else (vol.)	2	3	6	4
Undecided (vol.)	10	6	12	9
No/No one (vol.)	1	1		
DK/NA	5	1	3	1
Jon Huntsman	4	2	NA	NA
Rick Perry	7	7	NA	NA

¹ Previous question wording: Which one of these candidates would you like to see the Republican Party nominate for President in 2012 - Newt Gingrich, Jon Huntsman, Ron Paul, Rick Perry, Mitt Romney, Rick Santorum, or would you like to see someone else nominated? IF SOMEONE ELSE, UNDECIDED OR NO ANSWER, ASK: If you had to choose, which one of these candidates would you like to see the Republican party nominate? **CANDIDATE NAMES WERE ROTATED.**

16. Is your mind made up or is it still too early to say for sure? **ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WITH A CANDIDATE CHOICE IN Q15**

	Mind made up	Still too early	DK/NA
9/28-10/2/11 RPV* CBS	19	76	5
10/19-24/11 RPV*	19	80	1
11/6-10/11 RPV* CBS	28	72	-
12/14-18/11 RPV* CBS	21	79	-
1/4-8/12 RPV* CBS	28	71	1
1/12-17/12 RPV*	25	74	1
2/8-13/12 RPV*	39	60	1
3/7-11/12 RPV*	49	50	2

17. Which of these best describes your preference for the Republican nomination for President in 2012: 1) I strongly favor my candidate, 2) I like my candidate but with reservations, or 3) I dislike the other candidates? **QUESTION WAS ONLY ASKED OF THOSE WITH A CANDIDATE CHOICE IN Q15**

	Strongly favor	Like with reservations	Dislike others	DK/NA
9/10-15/11 RPV*	30	50	14	6
11/6-10/11 RPV* CBS	32	58	8	2
12/14-18/11 RPV* CBS	23	62	13	2
1/4-8/12 RPV* CBS	20	59	20	1
1/12-17/12 RPV*	15	62	20	2
2/8-13/12 RPV*	26	53	17	3
3/7-11/12 RPV*	27	56	14	3

18. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you expect to finally win the Republican nomination for President in 2012 - Newt Gingrich, Ron Paul, Mitt Romney, or Rick Santorum?

	Gingrich	Paul	Romney	Santorum	Someone else	DK/NA
1/4-8/12 CBS RPV* ¹	9	4	55	7	20	
3/7-11/12 RPV*	4	3	73	10	10	

¹ Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you expect to finally win the Republican nomination for President in 2012 - Michelle Bachmann (-), Jon Huntsman (2), Newt Gingrich (9), Ron Paul (4), Rick Perry (3), Mitt Romney (55), or Rick Santorum (7)?

19. Compared to past Presidential elections, how would you describe your level of enthusiasm about voting in the 2012 Presidential election – are you more enthusiastic than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as usual?

	More	Less	Same	DK/NA
6/24-28/11*	27	18	54	-
9/10-15/11*	31	18	50	1
RPV*	45	11	44	-
DPV*	27	20	53	-
11/6-10/11* CBS	28	23	48	1
RPV*	39	17	43	1
DPV*	25	22	43	-
12/14-18/11* CBS	26	23	50	1
RPV*	41	23	43	1
DPV*	23	12	43	-
1/4-8/12* CBS	27	24	48	1
RPV*	39	23	38	1
DPV*	23	23	53	2
1/12-17/12*	25	27	47	-
RPV*	38	23	39	-
DPV*	22	23	54	-
2/8-13/12*	31	28	39	2
RPV*	38	19	41	2
DPV*	38	21	40	1
3/7-11/12*	29	27	43	1
RPV*	40	18	40	2
DPV*	29	31	38	1

QUESTIONS 20-23 WERE ROTATED

20. If the 2012 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Barack Obama, the Democrat, and Newt Gingrich, the Republican, would you vote for Barack Obama or Newt Gingrich? *CANDIDATE NAMES WERE ROTATED.*

	Obama	Gingrich	Other (vol.)	Won't vote (vol.)	Depends (vol.)	DK/NA
1/4-8/12* CBS	49	41	1	4	1	4
1/12-17/12*	50	39	1	4	1	4
2/8-13/12*	54	36	-	5	1	4
3/7-11/12*	52	38	-	4	1	5

21. If the 2012 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Barack Obama, the Democrat, and Ron Paul, the Republican, would you vote for Barack Obama or Ron Paul? *CANDIDATE NAMES WERE ROTATED.*

	Obama	Paul	Other (vol.)	Won't vote (vol.)	Depends (vol.)	DK/NA
1/4-8/12* CBS	46	45	-	3	1	5
1/12-17/12*	46	42	1	5	2	5
2/8-13/12*	50	39	-	4	1	5
3/7-11/12*	49	39	-	3	2	7

22. If the 2012 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Barack Obama, the Democrat, and Mitt Romney, the Republican, would you vote for Barack Obama or Mitt Romney? *CANDIDATE NAMES WERE ROTATED.*

	Obama	Romney	Other (vol.)	Won't vote (vol.)	Depends (vol.)	DK/NA
1/4-8/12* CBS	45	47	-	2	1	5
1/12-17/12*	45	45	1	4	2	5
2/8-13/12*	48	42	-	4	1	5
3/7-11/12*	47	44	1	2	1	5

23. If the 2012 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Barack Obama, the Democrat, and Rick Santorum, the Republican, would you vote for Barack Obama or Rick Santorum? *CANDIDATE NAMES WERE ROTATED.*

	Obama	Santorum	Other (vol.)	Won't vote (vol.)	Depends (vol.)	DK/NA
1/4-8/12* CBS	47	43	1	2	1	6
1/12-17/12*	49	38	1	3	2	7
2/8-13/12*	49	41	-	2	-	6
3/7-11/12*	48	44	1	1	1	5

24. Is your opinion of Barack Obama favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Barack Obama yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not fav.	Undecided	heard enough	Haven't Refused
1/1-3/07 CBS	28	10	14	47	1
1/18-21/07* CBS	29	9	20	41	-
3/7-11/07	39	18	20	23	-
3/26-27/07 CBS	31	17	21	30	-
4/9-12/07* CBS	36	18	25	21	-
5/18-23/07*	34	21	25	20	-
6/26-28/07* CBS	40	22	22	15	1
7/9-17/07	36	20	25	19	-
7/9-17/07*	37	21	24	18	-
8/8-12/07* CBS	36	20	27	17	-
9/4-9/07*	35	21	29	14	-
2/20-24/08*	45	23	23	9	1
3/15-18/08* CBS	44	28	20	8	-
3/28-4/2/08*	43	24	25	8	1
4/25-29/08*	39	34	21	5	1
5/1-3/08*	44	30	20	6	1
5/30-6/3/08* CBS	41	31	22	5	1
7/7-14/08*	39	31	24	4	1
7/31-8/5/08* CBS	37	32	25	5	1
8/15-19/08*	39	32	25	4	1
9/12-16/08*	45	35	16	3	1
9/21-24/08*	43	30	22	4	1
9/27-30/08* CBS	48	32	17	3	1
10/3-5/08* CBS	46	34	16	3	1
10/10-13/08*	50	32	15	2	-
10/19-22/08*	52	31	15	2	1
10/25-29/08*	51	34	13	2	-
10/31-11/2/08* CBS	50	35	12	1	2
12/4-8/08 CBS	55	12	24	7	2
1/11-15/09	60	9	22	8	1
4/22-26/09	54	18	15	12	1
7/24-28/09	50	23	16	11	1
2/5-10/10	39	34	19	6	1
4/5-12/10	43	33	17	7	1
10/1-5/10 CBS	42	39	15	3	1
10/21-26/10	40	36	18	4	1
1/15-19/11	40	34	20	6	1
9/10-15/11	39	42	13	5	-
1/12-17/12*	38	45	14	3	-
2/8-13/12*	45	41	11	2	1
3/7-11/12*	41	41	14	3	2

QUESTIONS 25-28 WERE ROTATED

25. Is your opinion of Newt Gingrich favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Newt Gingrich yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
11/94	6	11	14	68	2
11/94*	7	12	15	64	2
1/95 CBS	10	23	17	48	2
1/95 CBS	14	21	23	40	2
2/95	22	33	23	22	-
4/95	16	29	26	29	1
8/95*	21	37	19	21	1
10/95*	16	37	20	26	1
8/96C*	19	48	20	12	1
1/97 CBS	11	44	19	25	1
1/97 1	15	49	23	13	1
1/98B	23	39	25	12	1
2/98	18	37	22	20	2
9/98 CBS	22	35	27	15	1
9/98B	24	31	25	19	1
9/98C	18	34	25	23	-
10/98 CBS	23	29	24	22	2
10/98 CBS	17	33	26	24	-
10/98A	22	39	25	14	1
10/98B	18	43	24	13	2
11/16-17/98 CBS	17	40	25	18	1
4/9-12/07 CBS	16	43	21	20	
4/15-20/11*	23	37	22	17	1
REP*	42	20	23	14	1
6/3-7/11* CBS	13	46	23	17	1
REP*	24	34	29	12	1
9/10-15/11*	18	46	19	17	-
REP*	36	34	20	10	1
11/6-10/11* CBS	19	41	18	22	-
REP*	38	27	20	15	-
1/12-17/12*	17	49	21	13	
REP*	31	34	25	11	
2/8-13/12*	16	54	16	13	1
REP*	36	29	24	11	-
3/7-11/12*	18	51	19	12	1
REP*	32	32	26	10	1

26. Is your opinion of Ron Paul favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Ron Paul yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
4/5-12/10*	12	15	19	54	1
REP*	12	16	21	50	1
9/10-15/11*	17	31	23	28	1
REP*	19	32	25	23	1
11/6-10/11* CBS	16	15	18	59	-
REP*	18	32	20	30	-
1/12-17/12*	20	33	23	23	-
REP*	20	38	19	23	
2/8-13/12*	24	33	21	21	1
REP*	31	25	21	23	-
3/7-11/12*	23	33	19	24	1
REP*	24	31	22	22	-

27. Is your opinion of Mitt Romney favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Mitt Romney yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
1/1-3/07 CBS	5	10	14	71	1
2/8-11/07 CBS	6	8	13	72	1
3/7-11/07	8	15	17	59	1
4/9-12/07* CBS	10	16	17	57	-
5/18-23/07*	14	16	18	52	1
6/26-28/07* CBS	12	16	19	52	1
7/9-17/07*	11	15	24	49	1
8/8-12/07 CBS	14	16	21	48	1
9/4-9/07*	11	19	26	45	-
4/15-20/11*	28	24	25	22	-
REP*	42	15	28	15	-
6/3-7/11* CBS	25	24	28	22	1
REP*	37	11	31	20	1
9/10-15/11*	25	29	29	16	1
REP*	45	15	28	12	1
11/6-10/11* CBS	25	31	26	18	-
REP*	40	20	26	14	1
1/12-17/12*	21	35	29	15	-
REP*	37	19	29	15	-
2/8-13/12*	26	40	20	13	1
REP*	50	14	23	13	-
3/7-11/12*	30	37	20	11	1
REP*	52	15	24	9	

28. Is your opinion of Rick Santorum favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Rick Santorum yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
4/15-20/11*	10	12	20	58	-
REP*	19	5	22	53	-
6/3-7/11* CBS	7	11	16	65	1
REP*	11	5	19	64	1
9/10-15/11*	7	18	18	56	1
REP*	16	10	17	56	1
11/6-10/11* CBS	7	17	15	60	1
REP*	14	13	19	54	-
1/12-17/12*	16	23	18	42	-
REP*	29	10	15	45	1
2/8-13/12*	27	25	15	33	1
REP*	50	6	17	27	-
3/7-11/12*	32	32	16	19	1
REP*	59	7	17	17	

31. Which one of these candidate qualities is most important in deciding who to support for the Republican nomination? 1. He is a true conservative, 2. He has strong moral character, 3. He can defeat Barack Obama, or 4. He has the right experience? **ANSWER CODES ROTATED**

	True Conservative	Strong moral Character	Defeat Obama	Right Experience	DK/NA
2/8-13/12 RPV*	22	34	19	22	3
3/7-11/12 RPV*	18	34	19	24	5

QUESTIONS 32-34 CANDIDATES WERE ROTATED

32. Regardless of how you intend to vote in 2012, which one of these candidates do you think has the best chance of beating Barack Obama in the general election in November 2012 - Newt Gingrich, Jon Huntsman, Ron Paul, Rick Perry, Mitt Romney, or Rick Santorum?

	1/12-17/12 RPV*	2/8-13/12 RPV*	3/7-11/12 RPV*
Newt Gingrich	17	15	9
Ron Paul	4	3	4
Mitt Romney	56	55	57
Rick Santorum	5	14	17
All of them (vol.)	2	1	3
None of them (vol.)	2	3	3
DK/NA	7	8	7
<i>Jon Huntsman</i>	-	NA	NA
<i>Rick Perry</i>	7	NA	NA

33. Regardless of how you intend to vote in 2012, which one of these candidates do you think most represents the values you try to live by - Newt Gingrich, Jon Huntsman, Ron Paul, Rick Perry, Mitt Romney, or Rick Santorum?

	9/28- 10/2/11 RPV* CBS	11/6-10/11 RPV* CBS	1/4-8/12 RPV* CBS	1/12-17/12 RPV*	2/8-13/12 RPV*	3/7-11/12 RPV*
Newt Gingrich	6	9	14	16	7	7
Ron Paul	8	7	13	18	16	12
Mitt Romney	15	17	21	20	23	25
Rick Santorum	5	5	22	25	39	47
All of them (vol.)	2	1	-			-
None of them (vol.)	5	8	3	2	3	4
DK/NA	19	19	18	10	12	5
<i>Jon Huntsman</i>	1	2	3	3	NA	NA
<i>Rick Perry</i>	12	9	6	6	NA	NA
<i>Michelle Bachmann</i>	13	10	NA	NA	NA	NA
<i>Herman Cain</i>	14	13	NA	NA	NA	NA

36. Which of the following matters more to you in deciding which presidential candidate to support - the candidate's views on economic issues or the candidate's views on social issues?

	Economic issues	Social issues	Both (vol)	Neither	DK/NA
1/12-17/12*	70	19	8	1	1
2/8-13/12*	66	22	9	-	2
REP*	69	21	8	-	2
3/7-11/12*	66	22	10		2
REP*	67	26	5		1

39. Do you think Barack Obama does or does not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
9/12-16/08*	60	33	6
9/21-24/08*	66	27	7
9/27-30/08* CBS	67	28	4
10/10-13/08*	64	29	6
10/19-22/08*	68	28	5
10/25-29/08*	64	32	4
2/5-10/10	60	37	3
4/5-12/10	58	39	2
10/1-5/10 CBS	51	43	6
2/8-13/12*	54	42	5
3/7-11/12*	55	42	4

41. How confident are you in Barack Obama's ability to make the right decisions about the economy – are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
2/20-24/08*	20	46	19	12	3
3/28-4/2/08*	17	45	21	15	2
7/31-8/5/08* CBS	12	40	24	21	3
8/15-19/08*	23	42	16	18	1
9/12-16/08*	23	37	22	17	1
9/21-24/08*	29	35	20	14	1
9/27-30/08* CBS	26	35	24	15	1
10/10-13/08*	22	38	20	19	1
10/19-22/08*	28	37	16	16	2
12/4-8/08 CBS	31	46	14	7	2
1/11-15/09	36	46	11	4	3
2/18-22/09	31	45	15	8	1
3/7-11/12	18	31	21	30	1

42. How confident are you in Barack Obama's ability to make the right decisions about health care – are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/28-4/2/08*	17	44	19	16	4
10/10-13/08*	28	38	13	20	1
3/7-11/12*	21	23	16	38	1

43. How confident are you in Barack Obama's ability to be an effective commander-in-chief of the nation's military – are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	30	28	16	25	-

QUESTIONS 45-51, 52-59, 60-65, and 66-72 WERE ROTATED

45. Do you think Newt Gingrich does or does not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	30	58	11
REP*	61	28	11
3/7-11/12*	33	57	10
REP*	55	34	11

47. How confident are you in Newt Gingrich's ability to make the right decisions about the economy - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	11	24	20	39	5
REP*	24	44	13	15	4
3/7-11/12*	13	29	23	31	4
REP*	28	41	14	14	2

48. How confident are you in Newt Gingrich's ability to make the right decisions about health care - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	13	28	23	33	4
REP*	27	43	14	11	4

49. How confident are you in Newt Gingrich's ability to be an effective commander-in-chief of the nation's military - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	17	26	21	31	4
REP*	35	36	16	10	2

50. Do you think Newt Gingrich's views on most issues are too conservative for you, not conservative enough, or just about right?

	Too conservative	Not conservative enough	About right	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	39	17	29	15
REP*	12	25	54	9
3/7-11/12*	32	22	32	13
REP*	6	28	57	8

52. Do you think Ron Paul does or does not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	47	33	20
REP*	58	25	18
3/7-11/12*	43	38	19
REP*	55	31	15

54. How confident are you in Ron Paul's ability to make the right decisions about the economy - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	11	31	24	22	12
REP*	18	41	21	11	9
3/7-11/12*	13	32	23	23	9
REP*	18	36	26	13	7

55. How confident are you in Ron Paul's ability to make the right decisions about health care - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	13	28	23	25	11
REP*	20	35	20	15	10

56. How confident are you in Ron Paul's ability to be an effective commander-in-chief of the nation's military - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	8	23	27	32	10
REP*	11	23	28	29	9

57. Do you think Ron Paul's views on most issues are too conservative for you, not conservative enough, or just about right?

	Too conservative	Not conservative enough	About right	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	28	15	36	21
REP*	13	19	49	18
3/7-11/12*	26	21	36	18
REP*	15	30	40	15

59. Do you think Mitt Romney does or does not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	31	58	11
REP*	56	36	8
3/7-11/12*	31	59	9
REP*	54	38	8

61. How confident are you in Mitt Romney's ability to make the right decisions about the economy - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	12	31	21	29	7
REP*	26	47	15	8	5
3/7-11/12*	16	34	21	24	4
REP*	31	48	11	8	2

62. How confident are you in Mitt Romney's ability to make the right decisions about health care - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	8	36	26	26	5
REP*	17	52	17	10	4

63. How confident are you in Mitt Romney's ability to be an effective commander-in-chief of the nation's military - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	14	34	22	25	6
REP*	31	46	14	5	4

64. Do you think Mitt Romney's views on most issues are too conservative for you, not conservative enough, or just about right?

	Too conservative	Not conservative enough	About right	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	32	21	32	15
REP*	8	30	52	9
3/7-11/12*	26	24	36	13
REP*	2	36	54	8

66. Do you think Rick Santorum does or does not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	37	37	26
REP*	64	16	20
2/8-13/12*	40	44	16
REP*	71	17	12

68. How confident are you in Rick Santorum's ability to make the right decisions about the economy - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	11	29	20	25	15
REP*	26	41	14	8	11
3/7-11/12*	12	36	22	23	7
REP*	27	53	13	3	4

69. How confident are you in Rick Santorum's ability to make the right decisions about health care - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	16	29	20	28	7
REP*	36	47	8	5	4

70. How confident are you in Rick Santorum's ability to be an effective commander-in-chief of the nation's military - are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
3/7-11/12*	13	30	20	28	9
REP*	27	49	14	5	6

71. Do you think Rick Santorum's views on most issues are too conservative for you, not conservative enough, or just about right?

	Too conservative	Not conservative enough	About right	DK/NA
2/8-13/12*	33	9	35	23
REP*	12	5	67	15
3/7-11/12*	36	12	39	13
REP*	10	11	70	9

73. Do you think health insurance plans for all employees should have to cover the full cost of birth control for their female employees, or should employers be allowed to opt out of covering that based on religious or moral objections?

	Cover birth control	Allowed to opt out	Depends (vol.)	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	40	51	3	5

74. What about for religiously affiliated employers, such as a hospital or university? Do you think their health insurance plans for all employees should have to cover the full cost of birth control for their female employees, or should they be allowed to opt out of covering that based on religious or moral objections?

	Cover birth control	Allowed to opt out	Depends (vol.)	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	36	57	2	5

76. Do you think the debate on this issue is more about religious freedom or more about women's health and their rights?

	Religious freedom	Women's health/rights	Both (vol.)	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	37	51	6	6

77. Is the price of gasoline something a president can do a lot about, or is that beyond any president's control?

	Can do	Beyond control	DK/NA
5/20-23/04 CBS	58	33	9
4/13-16/05 CBS	61	31	8
8/29-31/05 CBS	63	27	10
9/9-13/05	64	29	8
5/4-8/06	63	30	8
3/18-21/11	50	41	9
2/24-27/12	54	34	12
3/7-11/12	54	36	10

79. Would you support or oppose the United States taking military action against Iran in order to prevent it from developing a nuclear weapons program?

	Support	Oppose	DK/NA
2/8-13/12	51	36	12

79. What should the U.S. do if Israel were to attack Iran in order to prevent it from developing a nuclear weapons program? Should the U.S. support Israel's military action, or should the U.S. not get involved?

	Support	Not get involved	Oppose (vol.)	DK/NA
2/8-13/12	47	42	1	11

83. Are you currently employed - either full-time or part-time - or are you temporarily out of work, or are you not in the market for work at all? IF NOT IN MARKET FOR WORK, ASK: Are you currently retired, or not?

	Currently employed	Temporarily out of work	Not in the market for work	Retired	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	57	12	13	18	

85. Do you or does someone in your household belong to a labor union?

	Yes, self	Yes, other	Yes, self and other	No	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	7	6	2	83	2

86. Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation better today, worse today, or about the same?

	Better	Worse	About the same	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	20	37	43	1

87. Are you in favor of or opposed to the use of artificial methods of birth control?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	64	21	15

88. If you were asked to use one of these five names for your social class, which would you say you belong in - upper class, upper-middle class, middle class, working class, or lower class?

	Upper	Upper-middle	Middle	Working	Lower	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	1	11	43	30	13	2

89. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
4/5-12/10	18	62	19
5/20-24/10 CBS	20	59	21
7/9-12/10 CBS	27	56	17
8/20-24/10 CBS	29	54	17
9/10-14/10	19	63	19
10/21-26/10	24	63	14
11/7-10/10 CBS	31	58	11
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	22	68	10
2/11-14/11 CBS	20	63	17
3/18-21/11 CBS	23	64	13
4/15-20/11	24	66	10
6/24-28/11	26	64	10
8/2-3/11	18	73	10
9/10-15/11	20	65	15
10/19-24/11	24	66	10
1/12-17/12*	23	70	7
2/8-13/12	20	68	11
3/7-11/12	22	66	12

90. Would you say you attend religious services every week, almost every week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, or never?

	Every week	Almost every week	Once/twice month	Few times a year	Never	DK/NA
2/8-13/12	29	11	14	24	22	1

These last few questions are for background only. Do you have any children? IF YES, ASK:
Are any of your children 18 or under?

	Yes, 18 or under	Yes, over 18	No	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	35	31	34	-

Are any of your children between the ages of 12 and 18?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	49	51	-

Are any of your children seniors in high school planning to attend a four-year college or currently attending a four-year college?

	Yes, H.S. senior	Yes, college student	No	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	3	7	38	-

Did you vote in the 2008 presidential election, did something prevent you from voting, or did you choose not to vote? IF VOTED, ASK: Did you vote for Barack Obama, John McCain, or someone else?

			Voted, won't say whom(vol.)	Didn't vote	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	Obama	McCain	Someone else	3	31
	32	28	5		1

Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

				Never married	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	-
	52	5	11	4	28

Some people think of themselves as evangelical or born again Christians. Do you ever think of yourself in either of these ways?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	28	70	3

What is your religious preference today?

	Protestant	Catholic	Jewish	Muslim	Other	None	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	51	19	1	1	7	16	4

Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

	Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA		Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA
1/92A	29	35	31	5	12/7-10/01	30	32	30	8
1/92B	28	32	35	5	1/21-24/02	28	34	31	7
2/92A	32	37	27	4	4/28-5/1/02	33	37	23	8
2/92B	30	33	32	5	7/13-16/02	28	34	33	5
3/92	30	38	27	5	9/2-5/02	29	35	26	10
4/92	30	38	27	5	10/3-5/02	27	38	28	7
5/92A	30	33	31	6	10/27-31/02	31	34	28	7
6/92	33	33	29	5	11/20-24/02	29	32	31	8
7/92	29	34	32	5	1/19-22/03	29	32	33	6
7/92B	26	38	28	8	2/10-12/03	28	34	31	6
8/92A	28	33	33	5	3/7-9/03	29	32	30	9
8/92D	27	32	33	8	4/11-13/03	31	30	32	6
8/92E	28	35	29	8	7/13-27/03	27	32	34	7
9/92A	28	34	33	5	9/28-10/1/03	31	35	30	4
10/92A	29	35	31	5	12/10-13/03	27	33	35	6
10/92C	29	36	31	5	12/14-15/03	28	31	35	6
10/92D	28	37	31	4	1/12-15/04	28	32	33	8
10/92E	28	38	29	5	3/10-14/04	31	30	32	7
12/92	28	39	28	5	4/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
1/93	30	36	28	6	6/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
2/93	28	36	30	6	7/11-15/04	29	37	30	4
3/93	26	37	30	7	9/12-16/04	33	31	29	7
5/93A	29	34	29	8	10/1-3/04	29	34	28	10
6/93A	29	34	32	5	10/14-17/04	30	34	29	7
6/93B	31	37	27	5	10/28-30/04	30	35	30	6
9/93	26	36	32	6	11/18-21/04	29	36	30	5
11/93	29	38	29	4	1/14-18/05	31	34	28	8
1/94	30	30	34	6	2/24-28/05	29	36	29	6
2/94	28	33	32	7	6/10-15/05	28	34	31	6
3/94	30	34	29	7	9/9-13/05	26	36	28	9
4/94	32	32	30	6	12/2-6/05	28	32	33	7
7/94	27	35	31	6	1/20-25/06	29	34	33	4
9/94	28	36	34	3	5/4-8/06	25	37	34	4
11/94	31	34	29	6	7/21-25/06	31	33	30	5
12/94	31	32	29	7	8/17-21/06	30	35	27	8
2/95	30	33	32	5	9/15-19/06	30	32	32	5
4/95	30	30	34	6	10/5-8/06	30	35	30	6
8/95	30	35	29	6	10/27-31/06	28	35	31	7
9/95	28	33	30	9	2/24-27/07	25	35	33	6
10/95	31	35	27	7	3/7-11/07	27	35	33	6
12/95	32	35	26	6	4/20-24/07	24	34	36	6
12/95	27	33	33	7	5/18-23/07	29	37	32	3
1/96	29	35	31	5	7/9-17/07	28	34	34	4
2/96	30	35	31	4	7/20-22/07	24	32	36	9
4/96	31	36	28	5	9/4-8/07	31	32	33	5
6/96	27	39	29	5	12/5-9/07	26	35	31	8
6/96 NYT	26	37	32	5	1/9-12/08	28	40	27	5
7/96	31	34	29	6	2/20-24/08	27	38	29	6
8/96	32	41	24	3	/28-4/2/08	26	41	27	6
8/96C	30	34	28	8	4/25-29/08	27	37	31	5
9/96	29	36	29	6	5/1-3/08	29	39	27	5
10/96	28	40	25	7	3/7-14/08	26	37	31	6
10/96C	28	37	27	7	8/15-20/08	29	37	26	8
11/96	28	38	28	7	9/12-16/08	28	39	26	7
12/96	28	39	24	9	9/21-24/08	28	34	32	6
1/97	29	32	33	6	10/10-13/08	28	36	29	7
4/97	29	36	26	8	10/19-22/08	26	41	28	5
1/98	27	34	30	8	10/25-29/08	30	37	27	5
1/98B	26	35	31	7	1/11-15/09	21	39	31	8
2/98	31	32	30	8	2/18-22/09	26	36	32	5
4/98	28	31	33	8	4/1-5/09	23	39	30	7
6/98	28	32	30	10	4/22-26/09	20	38	36	6
7/98	28	35	30	7	6/12-16/09	24	38	31	8
8/98	26	37	29	8	7/24-28/09	20	34	39	7
9/98B	26	35	31	7	9/19-23/09	22	37	33	7
9/98C	27	35	32	6	12/4-8/09	27	36	29	8
10/98A	24	37	32	7	2/5-10/10	28	30	37	5
10/98B	27	39	28	6	4/5-12/10	28	31	33	7
12/98	27	37	30	6	4/28-5/2/10	25	34	31	10
1/99	25	37	33	5	6/16-20/10	24	34	33	9
4/99	30	34	28	7	9/10-14/10	25	35	33	7
11/99	28	37	30	5	10/21-26/10	28	37	31	4
2/00	28	37	28	6	1/15-19/11	27	34	32	6
5/00	31	34	27	7	4/15-20/11	25	33	34	7
7/00B	31	36	26	7	6/24-28/11	26	33	34	6
9/00A	31	33	27	9	8/2-3/11	24	32	39	4
9/00D	28	37	27	8	9/10-15/11	26	33	32	8
10/00	29	35	30	7	10/19-24/11	25	35	34	5
11/00	27	36	29	9	1/12-17/12	25	35	36	4
3/8-12/01	31	35	29	5	2/8-14/12	27	34	32	7
6/14-18/01	27	36	30	7	3/7-11/12	26	30	35	9
10/25-28/01	32	37	23	8					

How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally, do you think of yourself as liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	Lib	Mod	Con	DK/NA		Lib	Mod	Con	DK/NA
1/92A	19	41	34	6	7/13-16/02	21	44	32	4
1/92B	21	43	30	5	9/2-5/02	20	39	36	
2/92A	19	39	36	6	10/3-5/02	18	45	34	3
2/92B	20	43	31	6	10/27-31/02	20	38	37	5
3/92	20	47	30	4	11/20-24/02	20	44	30	6
4/92	18	44	33	4	1/19-22/03	19	45	32	3
5/92A	21	40	34	4	2/10-12/03	21	41	35	3
6/92	23	39	32	6	3/7-9/03	18	45	35	3
7/92	20	42	32	6	4/11-13/03	19	45	33	3
7/92B	21	41	30	8	7/13-27/03	22	40	34	5
8/92A	20	45	30	6	9/28-10/1/03	19	42	34	5
8/92D	22	44	27	7	12/10-13/03	20	45	31	4
9/92A	19	46	31	4	12/14-15/03	19	39	37	5
10/92C	22	39	34	5	1/12-15/04	20	43	31	5
10/92D	21	39	33	6	3/10-14/04	21	40	34	5
10/92E	21	40	33	6	4/23-27/04	22	42	30	6
2/92	20	41	34	5	6/23-27/04	21	42	32	5
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2/93	23	41	31	5	9/12-16/04	20	40	36	4
3/93	22	39	34	5	10/1-3/04	24	36	35	6
5/93A	21	41	33	5	10/14-17/04	19	42	33	6
6/93A	19	43	32	6	10/28-30/04	17	42	35	5
6/93B	19	44	31	6	11/18-21/04	22	41	33	4
9/93	19	43	34	4	1/14-18/05	20	41	33	6
11/93	21	41	33	5	2/24-28/05	23	38	35	5
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2/94	18	41	34	7	9/9-13/05	18	43	34	5
3/94	21	38	35	5	12/2-6/05	18	45	32	5
4/94	19	42	33	6	1/20-25/06	21	45	30	4
9/94	20	42	35	4	5/4-8/06	25	37	34	4
11/94	20	41	35	4	7/21-25/06	21	39	36	4
12/94	18	40	36	6	8/17-21/06	24	38	33	5
2/95	19	39	37	4	9/15-19/06	17	43	35	4
4/95	19	42	34	5	10/5-8/06	23	39	34	3
8/95	19	40	35	5	10/27-31/06	20	45	30	5
9/95	20	39	33	8	2/24-27/07	20	42	33	6
12/95	32	35	26	6	3/7-11/07	20	40	36	4
12/95	27	33	33	7	4/20-24/07	21	42	33	5
10/95	16	44	34	5	5/18-23/07	20	43	32	5
12/95	17	46	33	4	7/9-17/07	19	44	33	4
12/95	15	46	34	5	7/20-22/07	15	48	31	5
1/96	20	42	35	4	9/4-8/07	22	42	32	4
2/96	17	45	34	4	12/5-9/07	22	43	31	4
4/96	18	47	31	4	1/9-12/08	25	39	32	4
6/96	19	46	29	6	2/20-24/08	23	41	29	6
6/96	16	48	32	4	3/28-4/2/08	21	39	34	5
7/96	20	42	34	3	4/25-29/08	22	41	33	4
8/96	17	47	30	6	5/1-3/08	15	49	32	4
8/96C	18	43	33	6	7/7-14/08	22	41	32	5
9/96	16	44	34	6	8/15-20/08	24	36	35	5
10/96	16	47	31	7	9/12-16/08	24	39	33	4
10/96C	18	45	32	6	9/21-24/08	22	38	36	4
11/96	15	48	32	6	10/10-13/08	18	49	29	4
12/96	17	40	35	8	10/19-22/08	21	39	33	7
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4/97	19	42	34	5	1/11-15/09	21	43	30	6
12/97	21	42	33	5	2/18-22/09	20	38	36	6
1/98	19	40	33	7	4/1-5/09	23	39	31	7
2/98	21	42	33	4	4/22-26/09	22	42	29	7
4/98	18	42	35	5	6/12-16/09	27	37	29	7
6/98	20	39	34	7	7/24-28/09	22	41	30	7
7/98	20	42	33	5	9/19-23/09	21	39	36	4
8/98	21	43	31	5	12/4-8/09	21	36	38	5
9/98	21	41	34	5	4/28-5/2/10	21	34	38	6
9/98C	21	41	31	6	6/16-20/10	18	42	35	5
10/98B	20	41	33	5	9/10-14/10	19	40	36	5
12/98	20	41	34	5	10/21-26/10	19	37	38	5
1/99	20	45	30	4	1/15-19/11	20	41	35	4
4/99	19	46	29	6	4/15-20/11	26	32	36	6
11/99	22	43	31	5	6/24-28/11	22	37	34	7
2/00	21	44	31	4	8/2-3/11	22	43	32	2
5/00	21	41	34	4	10/19-24/11	22	38	35	4
7/00	22	38	33	7	1/12-17/12	22	38	34	6
7/00B	22	43	30	5	2/8-14/12	22	41	32	4
9/00A	20	42	32	6	3/7-11/12	20	39	35	7
9/00D	20	42	32	5					
12/7-10/01	23	39	33	4					
1/21-24/02	22	44	29	5					
4/28-5/1/02	22	38	35	6					

Have you personally ever used birth control or contraceptives, or haven't you? We mean you, yourself, not your partner?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	62	35	2

How old are you?

	18-29	30-44	45-64	Over 64	Refused
3/7-11/12	23	28	32	16	1

What was the last grade in school you completed?

	Not a H.S. grad	H.S. grad	Some college	College grad	Post Grad	Refused
3/7-11/12	9	35	31	15	10	1

Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?

	Hispanic	Not Hispanic	DK/NA
3/7-11/12	13	86	1

Are you white, black, Asian or some other race?

	White	Black	Asian	Other	Refused
3/7-11/12	74	12	3	10	1

Was your total family income in 2010 UNDER or OVER \$50,000? IF UNDER, ASK: Was it under \$15,000, between \$15,000 and \$30,000, or between \$30,000 and \$50,000? IF OVER, ASK: Was it between \$50,000 and \$75,000 or between \$75,000 and \$100,000 or was it over \$100,000?

	Under \$15,000	\$15,000- \$29,999	\$30,000- \$49,999	\$50,000- \$74,999	\$75,000- \$100,000	Over \$100,000	Refused
3/7-11/12	14	14	19	21	14	12	7

	Male	Female
3/7-11/12	49	51